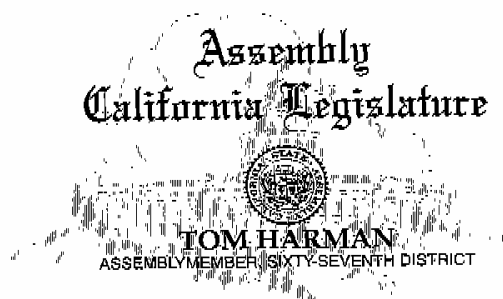


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March 15, 2004

Paul Morabito, Chair
Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 110
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito,

I am writing on behalf of the Amigos de Bolsa Chica and I urge you to grant the Huntington Beach Wetlands Conservancy's request for \$300,000 to prepare a conceptual restoration plan for the Huntington Beach Wetlands.

For over 20 years, my wife Dianne and I have been active with this organization. We seek to restore and enhance these local wetlands. Our wetlands provide habitat for many fish and wildlife species, including listed species and migratory birds.

Later this year, a three-year restoration project will begin for over 800 acres of the neighboring Bolsa Chica Wetlands. This is a unique and exciting opportunity for the City of Huntington Beach, the County of Orange, and the State of California to embrace and celebrate the restoration of two historic wetlands.

Please help the Huntington Beach Wetlands Conservancy make their dream a reality.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

TOM HARMAN
Assemblyman, 67th District



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March 18, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I wish to convey my support to the request by the State Lands Commission, in a cooperative project with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the California Department of Fish and Game, for a grant in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 to restore over 880 acres of coastal wetland habitat due east and adjacent to the existing Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve in Huntington Beach, California.

The restoration of the Bolsa Chica Wetlands presents an enormous opportunity to preserve what is left historic wetlands in the State of California. Bolsa Chica is an invaluable habitat providing ecological functions to endangered species of birds, plants and fish. It also presents the general public a wonderful resource for teaching our young about the importance of habitats such as Bolsa Chica.

We support the allocation of a grant to the State Lands Commission for the purpose of restoring the Bolsa Chica Lowlands.

Sincerely,

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James Silva, Vice Chairman
Orange County Board of Supervisors

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**Bolsa Chica
Conservancy**



A Non-Profit, Non-Political Corporation for the Benefit of Bolsa Chica Wetlands

March 11, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Bolsa Chica Conservancy, we wish to convey our support to the request by the State Lands Commission, in a cooperative project with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the California Department of Fish and Game, for a grant in the amount of \$10,000,000 to restore over 880 acres of coastal wetland habitat due east and adjacent to the existing Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve in Huntington Beach, California.

The restoration of the Bolsa Chica Wetlands is the result of 30 years of grass roots efforts led by the Amigos de Bolsa Chica. Its restoration presents an enormous opportunity to preserve what is left of historic wetlands in the State of California. The Bolsa Wetland is an invaluable habitat providing ecological functions to endangered species of birds, plants and fish.

We support the allocation of a grant to the State Lands Commission for the purpose of restoring the Bolsa Chica Lowlands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Grace Adams", is written over a horizontal line.

Grace Adams
Executive Director

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